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Mr. Victor Fisher
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Dear Mr. Fisher:

I have been asked by Assistant Secretary Macomber to reply to your letter of April 26, 1971, inquiring about the status of the USS LIBERTY claims.

I am enclosing a copy of the Department of State's Press Release No. 116, dated May 13, 1969. There still has been no settlement of the claim for damage to the ship, although this issue has been the subject of continuing discussions between U.S. and Israeli officials. The amount of the outstanding claim has not been made public. The ship has been decommissioned in the meantime, along with other vessels in its class.

Sincerely,

H. H. Stackhouse
Country Director
Israel and Arab-Israel Affairs

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